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C O N F I D E N T I A L ISLAMABAD 2642

E. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MILI, PK

SUBJECT: LEASE OF USG VESSEL TO GOP

1. ADDITIONAL FONSEC SHAIKH REQUESTED CHARGE TO CALL
ON HIM APRIL 2 AND HANDED HIM LETTER AS FOLLOWS:
QTE DEAR CHARGE D' AFFAIRES,
I HAVE THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE EXCHANGE OF NOTES
DATED 15 TH JANUARY, 1963, 16 TH JANUARY, 1963 AND 7 TH
MARCH, 1968 BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
AND THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN CONCERNING THE LOAN OF
THE VESSEL QTE USMS MISSION SANTA CLARA UNQUOTE, T- AO-132
BY THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITES STATES TO THE GOVERN-
MENT OF PAKISTAN.

QTE THE GOVERNMENT OF PAKISTAN WOULD APPRECIATE IF
THE PERIOD OF THE LOAN OF THE VESSEL IS EXTENDED FOR
ANOTHER FIVE YEARS WITH EFFECT FROM 16 TH JANUARY, 1973.

QTE IF THIS REQUEST IS ACCEPTABLE TO YOUR GOVERN-
MENT, I HAVE THE HONOR TO PROPOSE THAT THIS NOTE, TO-
GETHER WITH YOUR GOVERNMENT' S REPLY CONCURRING THEREIN,
WOULD CONSTITUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN OUR TWO GOVERN-
MENTS.

QTE PLEASE ACCEPT, MR. CHARGE D' AFFAIRES, THE
ASSURANCES OF MY HIGHEST CONSIDERATION.

/ S/ ALTAF A. SHAIKH UNQTE

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2. SHAIKH SAID GOP UNDERSTOOD THAT VALUE OF TANKER IN QUESTION WAS MARGINAL TO USG, AND THAT IT MIGHT BE SCRAPPED IF RETURNED TO USG. HE SAID HE WISHED TO POINT OUT THAT, ON OTHER HAND, THIS WAS THE ONLY LOGISTIC SUPPORT VESSEL AVAILABLE TO PAK NAVY AND ITS VALUE TO GOP WAS THEREFORE GREAT. HE ADDED THAT THE TANKER WOULD NOT APPEAR TO BE A QTE LETHAL WEAPON UNQTE. FINALLY, SHAIKH REMARKED THAT AMB. SULTAN KHAN HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE PARALLEL APPROACH IN WASHINGTON FOR EXTENSION OF VESSEL' S LOAN FOR ADDITIONAL FIVE YEARS.

3. CHARGE SAID THAT THIS REQUEST WOULD BE FORWARDED PROMPTLY TO USG AND THAT HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH FON OFF AS SOON AS WORD IS RECEIVED.

4. PLEASE INSTRUCT.
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